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POWER PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the power projects which have been found to be viable for construction in Maharashtra along with the present status thereof; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Government for early clearance and commissioning of the power projects of National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) in the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b) The details of thermal power projects which are at present under construction in the State of Maharashtra, are enclosed at Annex-I. No Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been received in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for setting up of hydro electric project in the State of Maharashtra since 2002-03. However, Koyna Dam Foot Power House, 2x40 MW is presently under construction in the State of Maharashtra which was cleared by Maharashtra Government. The Details are enclosed at Annex-II.

Several steps have been taken by the Government for early clearance and commissioning of the power projects including NTPC thermal power projects. These, inter alia, include:

(i) Central Electricity Authority (CEA) is performing the duties of monitoring of the power projects in pursuance of 73 (f) of Electricity Act, 2003. The progress of each project is monitored continuously through frequent site visits, interaction with the developers, critical study of monthly progress reports.

(ii) Setting up of a Power Project Monitoring Panel by the Ministry of Power to independently follow up and monitor the progress of the thermal projects to ensure that projects are executed in time.

(iii) M/s BHEL is a major indigenous manufacturer for main plant equipment in Public Sector. To overcome any constraints in supply, BHEL is augmenting its manufacturing capacity.